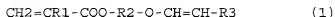


ABSTRACT

It is an object of the present invention to provide a vinyl ether group-containing (meth)acrylic ester, which has both radical polymerizability and cation polymerizability, improved in storage stability and stability in handling without impairing its polymerizability or, in other words, provide a stabilized vinyl ether group-containing (meth)acrylic ester. Another object is to provide a method of producing a stabilized vinyl ether group-containing (meth)acrylic ester composition. A further object is to provide a method of stably handing, a method of economically and stably producing and a method of purifying a vinyl ether group-containing (meth)acrylic ester.

A vinyl ether group-containing (meth)acrylic ester composition which comprises a radical polymerization inhibitor and a vinyl ether group-containing (meth)acrylic ester represented by the following general formula (1):



in the formula, R₁ represents a hydrogen atom or a methyl group, R₂ represents an organic residue and R₃ represents a hydrogen atom or an organic residue.